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DIARY NOTES

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1. The National Capital Planning Commission voted today six to four against our constructing a building at the Langley site. The cards appear to have been pretty well stacked. Although the press attended, CIA was prohibited from attending. Congressman Broyhill did not cast Congressman McMillan's vote but has seven days in which to do so----presumably for Langley. Fred Poorman of the Public Buildings Service was absent due to illness; he was denied the privilege of casting a deferred vote. Senator Neely, who I understand has never attended a single meeting, voted by letter, as did Mr. Lohman, Sheriff of Cook County. The Chairman, who normally votes only to break a tie, also cast his vote against our locating at Langley. Had Congressman McMillan and Mr. Poorman voted for Langley, and had the Chairman refrained from voting except to break a tie, the vote would have been six to five in favor of Langley.

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2. At the Deputies' Meeting Mr. Dulles again expressed his intense interest in the further development of our Language Training Program. [redacted] has been requested to expedite the preparation of a paper for the Career Council.) General Cabell also put in a very strong plug for the Reading Improvement Program. [redacted] raised the question of the Bureau of the Budget's knowledge of DD/P operations as a result of their reviews during the past few months. Mr. Dulles asked him to work with me on this and I have suggested to Dick that a member of the Budget Division, as well as a member of the DD/P area---probably General [redacted] staff, accompany and control all visits by the Bureau of the Budget to the DD/P components.

3. Agreed with Kirk that we would take a joint look at the Regulations Control Staff situation after the first of the year.

4. [redacted] has set up a new suspense date of 15 January for receipt of our comments on the Inspector General's survey of the Commercial Staff.

5. Jack says he believes that we may be able to save some bodies by combining the Cable Secretariat with the Office of Communications. Apparently a report is coming to me from the Management Staff recommending this action.

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